Prescribed Burn Planned on North Spit

Coos Bay, Ore. – The Coos Bay District Bureau of Land Management (BLM) plans to burn piles of shore pine and other vegetation on the North Spit of Coos Bay on Wednesday, September 29. Smoke from the burn may impact the Charleston area periodically.

The burn will take place east of Foredune Road and just north of the Army Corps of Engineers’ land near the north jetty. The vegetation being burned was cut over the last year to enhance western snowy plover habitat on the North Spit.

All burn plans are weather dependent and must be approved under the Oregon Department of Forestry Smoke Management Plan. The burn may be rescheduled if smoke impacts to the local community would be too great or current weather forecasts change.

The BLM does not anticipate the need to close any roads or trails on the North Spit, but visitors are asked to use caution when traveling through the area.

Additional information on the prescribed burn can be found online at: www.blm.gov/or/resources/fire/prescribedburns/index.php

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